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PRESIDENT: Senator Bereuter is next. Is Senator Bereuter in the chamber? Senator Cavanaugh. You had your light on before our recess on Senator Goodrich's amendment.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Are we still on that?

PRESIDENT: Yes.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: I think I forgot what I was going to do about that.

PRESIDENT: We all get some good luck. Senator Marsh is not here. Chair recognizes Senator Moylan.

SENATOR MOYLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I certainly support Senator Goodrich's amendment to this appropriation bill. It's just natural to know that these programs grow from year to year, especially in a metropolitan area. Their request was not out of order. It was very sincere and their request up there I know, and not in any way out of proportion to the needs of that district. I think the program has been accomplishing considerable up there in that area, in the whole district. If it is curtailed by lack of funds for continued growth I think it would be a bad situation in that area. I would vote for the Goodrich amendment to increase this allotment by a few hundred dollars.

PRESIDENT: Senator Bereuter.

SENATOR BEREUTER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I think a few things should be made clear. One, it sounded like the Budget Committee was vindictive because the request came in late. Perhaps that came through, but it's important for you to realize that I think the Budget Committee, as a whole, attempted to do what was right to continue the program in a manner that was equitable with the treatment given to the rest of the state. One thing you should know, in terms of money available from all sources, Region VI is being treated better potentially for next year than it was last year. In fact, the increase is about 2 times, maybe 3 times, as much in terms of money available from all sources from Region VI as it is for any part of the state. Already, in our budget we are treating, in terms of dollars available, Region VI better than any of the other six regions. Therefore, I speak against the Goodrich amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Shirley Marsh. Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, maybe the Clerk could read the amendment and Senator Goodrich could explain it. Some of us, I imagine, were busy this morning. I've been busy on that 344 and a section of that. I'd like to know what your amendment is. I'd like to support it.

PRESIDENT: Before we go to that, I would also like to introduce the group in the North balcony. Now we have 80 fifth and sixth graders from St. Patrick's School in Fremont, Senator Johnson's district. Welcome to the Legislature, we're glad to have you here.